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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I am writing in support of broadband competition and against the proposed re-regulatory attack on it. I am a disabled retired American living on very limited Social Security benefits and I DEPEND on a competitive land-line phone and land-line DSL to maintain my connections to the telephone and internet. This proposal would END my ability to afford these BASIC services -- and for NO REASON besides SHEER GREED and corrupt monopoly bullying. Please DO NOT pass this attack on poor Americans.

Jim Powell